It is Sunday the 3rd May 2009 and here is ANARTS with our weekly RTTY news bringing you - cast 1541.

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IPS Weekly Solar and Geophysical Report for 24th to 30 April, issued on 1st May by the IPS Radio and Space Services.

SUMMARY

Date	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
10cm flux	70	69	69	68	69	70	70
AFr index	5	2	3	3	2	3 (	2 estimated)
Aaus index	7	4	3	3	3	3 (	1 estimated)
T index	-3	5	5	-4	0	3	5

Solar flare activity was very low all week.

Geomagnetic activity observed for the Australian Region was quiet to unsettled on 24th; and quiet on other days.

Southern Australian Ionospheric F2 critical frequencies were near predicted on 24th to 26th; near predicted to 15 per cent enhanced on 27th and 28th; near predicted to enhanced 25 per cent on 29th; and near predicted to 50 per cent enhanced on 30th.

Forecast for 1st to 7th May

Solar activity should be very low.

Geomagnetic activity should be mostly quiet from 1st to 5th, and quiet to unsettled from 7th to 8th May.

Frequencies should be mostly near predicted monthly values.

Courtesy of the IPS Radio and Space Services

Summary by Pat Leeper VK2JPA

As the VK2SG RTTY Notes have not arrived, we are inclding the ARRL DX News for this week.

ARLD017 DX news for 30th April 2009

FIJI, 3D2. Jan, OK2ZAW is QRV as 3D2ZW/p until May 8 from Viti Levu, IOTA OC-016, the Mamanuca Group, IOTA OC-121, the Yasawa Group, IOTA OC-156, and Viti Levu, IOTA OC-016. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL to home call.

WEST MALAYSIA, 9M2. Richard, PA0RRS has moved here permanently and is QRV as 9M2MRS from Penang Island, IOTA AS-015. Activity is generally using CW with SSB on request. QSL via operator's instructions.

MOROCCO, CN. Abder, CN8VO is QRV using special event call 5F1ROM until May 10 to commemorate the ''FIA Touring Car Grand Prix'' which

takes place in Marrakesh from May 1 to 3. QSL via EA7FTR.

ETHIOPIA, ET. Peter is QRV as ET3BN is QRV from Addis Ababa and is here for a few years. Activity is generally on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct.

ENGLAND, G. In celebration of the centenary year of the UK Royal Naval ARS, special event station GB100FAA is QRV until May 15 and then from May 19 to 21. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via bureau.

SCOTLAND, GM. A group of operators will be QRV as MS0TJT/p from Coll Island, Inner Hebrides, IOTA EU-008, from May 3 to 8. Activity will be on 80 to 6 meters using mostly SSB with some CW and PSK. QSL via GM4ZNC.

ITALY, I. To commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Solferino, a battle that lead to the establishment of the International Red Cross, a group of operators will be QRV using special event station II4CRI from May 2 to 8. QSL via IZ1JKW.

SARDINIA, IS0. Operators DH7FB and DF2ZC are QRV as IS0/homecalls until May 5. They are active using 2 Meters EME, transmitting on 144.124 MHz and listening on 144.082 MHz. QSL via operators' instructions.

OGASAWARA, JD1. Koji, JI1LET is QRV as JI1LET/JD1 from Chichijima Island, IOTA AS-031, until May 5. Activity is on 40 to 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

BULGARIA, LZ. In commemoration of the inventors of the Cyrillic Alphabet, St. Kiril and Methodius, members of the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs are QRV as LZ2009KM during the month of May. QSL via LZ1PJ.

BELGIUM, ON. Special event station ON769MS will be QRV on May 2 and 3. QSL via ON6MS.

DENMARK, OZ. Paolo, I2AE is QRV as OZ/I2AE/p from various Danish islands and from at least 19 Lighthouses on these islands. Activity is on 40 and 20 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

BRAZIL, PY. Members of the Rio DX Group are QRV as PT1R from Rasa Island, IOTA SA-079, until May 4. They are active on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes, with two stations. QSL via PY1NB.

SAN MARINO, T7. A group of operators are QRV as T70A until May 3. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes an entry in the ARI International contest. QSL via bureau.

TURKEY. TA. Berkin, TA3J is QRV as TA3J/7 from Erzincan City until May 3. Activity is on all band using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL via TA3YJ.

UKRAINE, UR. A group of operators are QRV as EO64JM in commemoration of the 64th anniversary of victory of the Great Patriotic War. QSL via K2PF.

INDONESIA, YB. Hotang, YC0IEM is QRV from Borneo Island, IOTA OC-088, until May 15. QSL via IZ8CCW.

ASCENSION ISLAND, ZD8. Karol, G0UNU will be QRV as ZD8KR from May 4

to 11. He will be active mainly on 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT. The following operations are approved for DXCC credit: Western Sahara, S04R, 2009 operation; North Cook Island, E51QQQ, 2009 operation.

The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 906 - excerpts

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA
It has been reported that Richard, PA0RRS, will be permanently moving to Penang Island (AS-015, WLOTA 2743), West Malaysia, on May 1st. He will be active as 9M2MRS from Penang Island, but initially only on 20 meters using a dipole. He prefers CW but will go on SSB if requested. QSL via 9M2MRS, by the 9M2 QSL Bureau or direct to: Richard Smeets, Reef Apartment Building, 54-7-12 Jalan Low Yat, 11100 Batu Ferringhi, Penang Island, Malaysia. QSLs sent "via PA0RRS" will still be possible, but you will have to be patient as Richard will only be back to the The Netherlands for a limited time each year.

A5, BHUTAN
Hisato, JA1DOT, is now active as A52DT until May 6th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSNs show most of his operations have been on 30 and 80 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign. Updates will be posted on the Nippon DX Association (NDXA) Web site at:
http://www.ndxa.net

EO64, UKRAINE (Special Event)
Operators Rustam/UU2JQ, Eugene/UU5DX and Sergey/UU5WW will activate special event station EO64JM from May 1-15th. The operation will commemorate the 64th anniversary of victory in the Great Patriotic War. QSL via K2PF.

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS
The "DX World of Ham Radio" Web page is reporting that Mike/KM9D (H44MY) and Jan/KF4TUG (H44TO) are once again in the Solomon Islands staying in Honiara. Mike has indicated that there are no plans to be immediately active. Any activity may be announced at short notice.

II2, ITALY (Special Event)
Members of the "Sezione di ERBA" ARI Radio Club will activate the special callsign II2ERBA between May 1-24th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL Manager is IQ2ER. NO E-QSL.

IOTA NEWS

AF-019. (POSTPONED) Operators Vincenzo/IW9EJP, Filippo/IW9FRB, Giovanna/ IW9GVP (YL), Ferdinando/IW9HSK, Ezio/IT9OJW, Sebastiano/IT9ZIR and Dario/IT9ZZO have postponed their activity as IG9/homecalls from Linosa Island (IIA AG-003, MIA MI-128) until May 1-3rd (not April 24-26th as first announced). They plan to operate on SSB, PSK and RTTY on the HF bands, 80-10 meters. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Visit their Web page at:
http://www.iw9frb.it/linosa.htm

AS-077. Look for 8J6DON to be active from Kyushu Island during the upcoming Hakata "Dontaku" Port Festival between April 29th and May 5th. QSL via the JARL Bureau.

EU-008. Operators Charlie/MM0GNS, Willie/GM4ZNC and Rodger/GM3JOB will be active as MS0TJT/p from the Island of Coll, Inner Hebrides, May 3-8th. Activity is planned for 80-6 meters, mainly SSB, but with a little CW and PSK. QSL via GM4ZNC.

EU-065. Member of the Charente DX Group will activate TM0M from Molene Island (DIFM AT002 - French Island Award), May 23-30th. Four stations will be on air 24/7, with operations on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Operators mentioned are: Joel/F1BLQ, Jean/F4EEK, Michel/F5EOT, Eric/F5LOW, Sibard/F5NBQ, Laurent/F5MNK, Bertrand/F6HKA and Leon/ON4ZD. QSL via F6ANA, direct or by the bureau.

EU-129. Helmut, DL7VOX, will once again be active as DL7VOX/p from Usedom Island (O-013 for the German Islands Award) between April 27 and May 16th. Activity will probably be CW on 160-10 meters.QSL via his homecall, direct or by the Bureau. EU-178. Uwe, DL3BQA, will be active as ES8/DL3BQA from Kihnu Island, Estonia, between June 15-22nd. Activity will be holiday style on 80-6 meters, mostly on SSB and possibly some RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, by the bureau or direct.

SA-021. (Update) Members of the Radio Club Grupo DX Bahia Blanca will be active as L21D from Ariadna Island, located 70km south of Ingeniero White Harbour, in the natural reserve of Bahia Blanca, between 0000z, May 1st, and 1800z, May 3rd. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. Operators mentioned are: Carlos/LU7DSY, Osmar/LU8DWR, Carlos/LU4ETN, Gerardo/LU1EUU, Enrique/LU5DEM, Nestor/LU4DBP and Willy/LU4DBT. QSL via LU7DSY, by the bureau or direct to: P.O. Box 709 (8000) Bahia Blanca, ARGENTINA. Visit the group's Web page at:
http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar

SA-072. (Update) Members of the Teresina DX Group are preparing a DXpedition to the Canary Island (DIB MA-05, DFB MA-11) on the coast of Piaui, Brazil, between April 29th and May 3rd. Callsign will be ZW8BBC. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY, including 6 meters, 2 meters (SSB/FM) and the satellites (SSB/FM). Satellites mentioned are: AO-7 (A and B), FO-29, AO-51, VO-52, SO-50 and ISS in repeater mode, if activated. QSL via PS8DX (QRZ.com address): Operators mentioned are: Ray/PS8BBC, Junior/PS8DX, Jesus/PS8ET, Chicao/ PS8FSM, Milton/PS8HF, Joca/PS8JN, Nelson/PS8NF, Joao/PS8PY, Piraja/PS8RF, Dalton/PS8TV and YL Milena/PS8ML. Sugguested frequencies are:
CW - 1830, 3530, 7030, 10114, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040
SSB - 1970, 3765, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950 and 28460
RTTY - 3577, 7037, 10127, 14080, 18101, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - CW/50.107 and SSB/50.127 MHz
A web page is now active for this operation at:
http://zw8bbc.blogspot.com/

* NEW IOTA Directory available: Now celebrating 45 years of Island collecting -- The "IOTA Directory" is the essential guide to partici- pating in the Islands on the Air (IOTA) award program. For details on how to get one:
http://www.rsgbshop.org/acatalog/Online_Catalogue_IOTA_42.html

IRC NEWS
Just a reminder for those who like to stockpile International Reply Coupons (IRCs)-- the current IRC will expire at the end of year. Unlike the old style coupons, the current types all have an expiry date, giving them a maximum life of 3 years. If you purchased a current IRC today, they will still expire on December 31, 2009. Ken, ZL2HU, advises us on the following information from International Postal Union in Geneva:
"The current issue (Beijing 2) IRC may be exchanged up to 31 December 2009 (date printed on coupon). In principle, Beijing 2 coupons will no longer be sold from 31 August 2009. The new international reply coupon (Nairobi model) is due to go on sale from 1 July 2009, and will be valid for exchange until 31 December 2013." Ken states, "So make sure you aren't holding any of the Beijing 2 coupons at the end of this year."
To see what the new IRC looks like, go to:
http://www.upu.int/news_centre/2008/en/2008-08-08_irc.shtml

JD1, OGASAWARA

Koji, JI1LET, will once again be active as JI1LET/JD1 from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between April 29th and May 5th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters, CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JI1LET, by the JARL Bureau or direct.

TA7, TURKEY
Operator Berkin, TA3J, will be active as TA3J/7 from Erzincan City (KM99RS) between now and May 3rd. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He was heard this past weekend on 20 meters SSB. QSL via TA3YJ QSL Service at:
http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3yj/qslservice.htm

TK, CORSICA (IOTA/LH/Mills/Towers Op)
Claude (Jim), F5MCC, will be on holiday from the main island (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) between May 22nd and June 11th. He will be signing TK/F5MCC or possibly TK/F5MCC/p. Tony, TK5XN, may be with him. Look for Jim to activate some lighthouses which count for the "French Onshore Lighthouses Award" (DPLF) with the following references: PB 074, PB 068, PB 087, PB 091, PB 287 and PB 292 (with weather permitting, possibly PB 170 and PB 171). Also, a very difficult lighthouse (PB 289) may be activate which is hard to reach and for this activation, Tony, TK5XN, will go with Jim.
There is another planned activation from the Island of Lavezzi (EU-164, TK-011, MCO-007, PB 175 and WLOTA 755), but this depends on the renting of a boat. On May 23rd and 30th, Jim will also activate (along with Denys/TK5JU) some Mills or Genovese Towers (not yet chosen). Activity from all locations will be on the HF bands 80-10 meters CW/SSB. QSL TK/F5MCC via F5MCC, TK5XN via F2YT and TK5JU direct to his home callsign.

YB0, INDONESIA (IOTA Op)
Hotang, YC0IEM, will be active as YB0IEM/P from Borneo Island (OC-088) between April 27th and May 15th. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via IZ8CCW.

YJ, VANUATU (IOTA Op)
Kaku, JA6REX, will be active as YJ0KS for 10 days from two different islands. Activity will be from Espiritu Santo (OC-035) between April 28th and May 3rd, and from Tanna Island (OC-035) between May 5-7th. Look for activity to be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

YW0, AVES ISLAND (Update)
The 4M5DX Group, which is expecting to be active as YW0A from Aves Island, received on Monday, April 20th, a schedule from the Venezuela Navy to travel to Aves Island. From their Web they state, "The stay time that they can give us on Aves Island is no less than 30 days (can be more, depending of vessels availability). No one operator or team member can stay for so long time on the island. For that, we are still looking for no more than 7 or 12 days to operate from YV0." The YW0A Web is at:
http://yw0a.4m5dx.info/news.html

ZL, NEW ZEALAND (Island Names To Be Decided!)
New Zealanders are being asked what they would like to call their two main islands, currently North Island and South Island. The BBC News reports: "The country's Geographic Board, which assigns and approves place name changes, has announced consultations on alternative English and Maori names. The move follows the discovery that the geographically correct names, used for 200 years, were not legally registered." The Maori names are Te Ika a Maui (the fish of Maui) for the North Island and Te Wai Pounamu (the waters of greenstone) for the South Island. Read the complete story at:
http://news.bbc.co.uk/go/em/fr/-/2/hi/asia-pacific/8011846.stm

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